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## BRIDGE ACROSS CONGAREE RIVER, S. C.

FEBRUARY 3 (calendar day, FEBRUARY 12), 1925.—Ordered to be printed

Mr. LADD, from the Committee on Commerce, submitted the following

### REPORT

[To accompany S. 4210]

The Committee on Commerce, to whom was referred the bill (S. 4210) to authorize the building of a bridge across the Congaree River in South Carolina, have considered the same and report thereon with amendments, and as so amended recommend that the bill do pass

The bill thus amended has the approval of the Departments of War and Agriculture, as will appear by the annexed communications, the amendments referred to therein having been incorporated in the bill as reported

Page 1, line 4, after the word "construct," insert a comma and strike out the word "and."

In the same line, after the word "maintain," insert "and operate."

In line 6, after the word "River," insert "at a point suitable to the interests of navigation."

[Second indorsement]

WAR DEPARTMENT, *February 10, 1925.*

Respectfully returned to the chairman Committee on Commerce, United States Senate.

The accompanying bill, S. 4210, Sixth-eighth Congress, second session, "To authorize the building of a bridge across the Congaree River in South Carolina," as amended in red, is in the general form of such measures adopted by Congress, and so far as the interests committed to this department are concerned I know of no objection to its favorable consideration.

The Congaree River is, however, wholly within the limits of the State of South Carolina, and the proposed bridge can consequently be authorized by State law and duly constructed provided the plans are submitted to and approved by the Chief of Engineers and Secretary of War before construction is commenced, in conformity with the Federal law contained in section 9 of the river and harbor act of March 3, 1899. The enactment of this measure therefore appears to be unnecessary.

JOHN W. WEEKS, *Secretary of War.*

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,  
Washington, February 7, 1925.

Hon. WESLEY L. JONES,

*Chairman Committee on Commerce, United States Senate.*

DEAR SENATOR JONES: Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of February 5 transmitting a copy of the bill S. 4210, with the request that the committee be furnished with such suggestions touching the merits of the bill and the propriety of its passage as the department might deem appropriate.

This bill would authorize the State highway department of South Carolina to construct and maintain a highway bridge and approaches thereto across the Congaree River at or near the city of Columbia, between Richland and Lexington Counties, S. C. It is our understanding that this will be a free bridge. From the standpoint of this department, therefore, favorable action upon the bill is recommended.

Sincerely,

HOWARD M. GORE, *Secretary.*



## REPORT

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

The Committee on Commerce, to whom was referred the bill S. 4210, to authorize the building of a bridge across the Congaree River in South Carolina, have considered the same and report thereon with amendments and as so amended recommend that the bill do pass.

The bill thus amended has the approval of the Department of War and Agriculture, as will appear by the attached communication. Some amendments referred to therein having been incorporated in the bill as reported.

Page 1, line 1, after the word "construct," insert a comma and strike out the word "and."

In the same line after the word "maintain," insert "and operate."

In line 2 after the word "later," insert "at a point suitable to the interests of navigation."

Respectfully submitted,

Howard M. Gore, Secretary of War.

Respectfully referred to the Chairman, Committee on Commerce, United States Senate.

The accompanying bill S. 4210, sixth-eighth Congress, second session, to authorize the building of a bridge across the Congaree River in South Carolina, is amended in red, is in the general form of such measures adopted by Congress, and as the interests committed to this department are concerned I know of no objection to its favorable consideration.

The Congaree River is, however, wholly within the limits of the State of South Carolina, and the proposed bridge can consequently be authorized by State law, and any construction provided the plans are submitted to and approved by the Chief of Engineers and Secretary of War before construction is commenced, is in conformity with the Federal law contained in section 7 of the river and harbor act of March 3, 1899. The enactment of this measure therefore appears to be unnecessary.

John W. Waters, Secretary of War.

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